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Subject: Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121), mailed 09/18/2006

Dear Mr. Victor Batson:

Compliance is here set forth, reference your communication mailed 09/18/2006, items 4 and 5:

4. Amendments to the claims

- A. A complete listing of all pending claims is now present
- B. The listing of all claims includes the text of all pending claims
- C. Each claim is provided a status identifier; namely, (Original)(Canceled)(New)

5. Other

- A. The amendment letter is now signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4
- B. Upon deleting Claim(12)(Canceled), Claim(16)(Canceled) and Claims(20-22)(Canceled), and inserting Claim(12)(New) and Claim(16)(New), there is now correct numerical sequencing of claims from (1) through (19) in part (055) What is claimed is:.
- C. Claim (12) (New) now establishes an antecedent basis for Claim (13) (Original), Claim (14) (Original), and Claim (15) (Original).
- D. Claim (16) (New) now establishes an antecedent basis for Claim (17) (Original), Claim (18) (Original), and Claim (19) (Original).
- E. Regarding Claim (12) (Canceled), Rossow et al (US 6,493,616) discloses a processor based unit, a remote control unit, and a three-position toggle switch. Buchl in Claim (12) (New) discloses slaving and non-slaving relative to working and shallow positions;

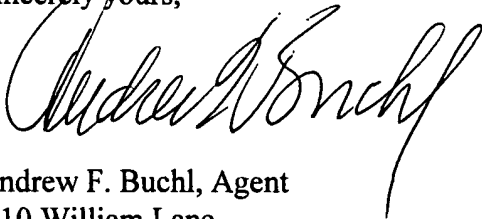
therefore, Buchl is separate and distinct from Rossow.

F. Regarding Claim (16) (Canceled), Rossow et al (US 6,493,616) discloses an input device, a device position sensor, a processor control unit, a console control unit, a device position display and hydraulic manifolds with a solenoid valve. Buchl in Claim (16) (New) discloses various integrated manifolds incorporating interacting valving; namely, solenoid valves, counter-balance valves, check valves, and pressure reducing and relieving valves; therefore, Buchl is separate and distinct from Rossow.

Make parcel to this letter the enclosed attachment of a complete listing of all the claims to Application No.10/774,790.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this patent application.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew F. Buchl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Andrew" and last name "Buchl" clearly distinguishable.

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Enclosed Attachment: A complete listing of all the claims